

**M20580 L.A. and D.E. Tutorial
Worksheet 11**

1. (a) Solve the separable differential equation: $dx + e^{4x}dy = 0$
- (b) Solve the linear differential equation: $y' + 3x^2y = x^2$.
- (c) Check if the differential equation is exact, then solve: $(2x - 1)dx + (3y + 7)dy = 0$

Solution:

- (a) From $dy = -e^{-4x}dx$ we obtain $y = \frac{1}{4}e^{-4x} + c$.
- (b) An integrating factor is $e^{\int 3x^2 dx} = e^{x^3}$ so that $\frac{d}{dx} [e^{x^3}y] = x^2e^{x^3}$ and $y = \frac{1}{3} + ce^{-x^3}$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$.
- (c) Let $M = 2x - 1$ and $N = 3y + 7$ so that $M_y = 0 = N_x$. From $f_x = 2x - 1$ we obtain $f = x^2 - x + h(y)$, $h'(y) = 3y + 7$, and $h(y) = \frac{3}{2}y^2 + 7y$. A solution is $x^2 - x + \frac{3}{2}y^2 + 7y = c$.

2. For each of the following differential equations, first check if it is linear, then solve it using an appropriate method.

(a) $\frac{dy}{dt} = ty^2 \cos t, \quad y(0) = 1$

(b) $t \frac{dy}{dt} = t^2 + y, \quad y(1) = -2 \quad \text{for } t > 0,$

(c) $y' = 2ty + 3t^2 e^{t^2},$

(d) $t^2 \frac{dy}{dt} + ty = 1,$ assuming $t > 0.$

Solution:

- (a) The DE is **not linear**. Using the method of separation of variables, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dt} &= ty^2 \cos t \\ \implies \frac{dy}{y^2} &= t \cos t \, dt \\ \implies \int y^{-2} dy &= \int t \cos t \, dt \\ &\text{Integration by parts:} \\ u = t &\implies du = dt \\ dv = \cos t \, dt &\implies v = \sin t \\ \implies \frac{y^{-1}}{-1} &= t \sin t - \int \sin t \, dt \\ \implies -y^{-1} &= t \sin t - (-\cos t) + C \\ \implies -y^{-1} &= t \sin t + \cos t + C. \end{aligned}$$

Since $y(0) = 1$, we have

$$-1^{-1} = 0 \sin 0 + \cos 0 + C \implies C = -1^{-1} - \cos 0 = -1 - 1 = -2.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} -y^{-1} &= t \sin t + \cos t - 2 \\ \implies y^{-1} &= 2 - t \sin t - \cos t \\ \implies y &= \frac{1}{2 - t \sin t - \cos t}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) The DE is **linear**. We have

$$\begin{aligned} t \frac{dy}{dt} &= t^2 + y \\ \implies t \frac{dy}{dt} - y &= t^2 \\ \implies \frac{dy}{dt} - t^{-1} \cdot y &= t \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying both sides of the equation by the following integrating factor

$$\begin{aligned} I &= e^{\int -t^{-1} dt} = e^{-\ln|t|} = e^{-\ln t} && (|t| = t \text{ as } t > 0) \\ I &= t^{-1}. && \text{(Note: } e^{-\ln x} \text{ is NOT } -x) \end{aligned}$$

We then have

$$\begin{aligned} t^{-1} \frac{dy}{dt} - t^{-2} y &= 1 \\ \implies (t^{-1} y)' &= 1 \\ \implies t^{-1} y &= \int 1 \cdot dt \\ \implies t^{-1} y &= t + C \\ \implies y &= t^2 + Ct. \end{aligned}$$

Since $y(1) = -2$, we have

$$-2 = 1^2 + C \cdot 1 \implies C = -2 - 1 = -3.$$

Therefore, $y = t^2 - 3t$.

(c) The DE is **linear**. We have

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= 2ty + 3t^2 e^{t^2} \\ \implies y' - 2t \cdot y &= 3t^2 e^{t^2}. \end{aligned}$$

We multiply both sides of the equation by the following integrating factor

$$I = e^{\int (-2t) dt} = e^{-t^2}.$$

We then have

$$\begin{aligned} y' e^{-t^2} - 2t e^{-t^2} y &= 3t^2 \\ \implies (y e^{-t^2})' &= 3t^2 \\ \implies y e^{-t^2} &= \int 3t^2 dt \\ \implies y e^{-t^2} &= t^3 + C \\ \implies y &= e^{t^2} (t^3 + C), \end{aligned}$$

where C is an arbitrary constant.

(d) The DE is **linear**. We have

$$\begin{aligned}t^2 \frac{dy}{dt} + ty &= 1 \\ \implies \frac{dy}{dt} + t^{-1} \cdot y &= t^{-2}.\end{aligned}$$

We multiply both sides of the equation by the following integrating factor

$$I = e^{\int t^{-1} dt} = e^{\ln|t|} = |t| = t. \quad (|t| = t \text{ for } t > 0)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}t \frac{dy}{dt} + y &= t^{-1} \\ \implies (ty)' &= t^{-1} \\ \implies ty &= \int t^{-1} dt \\ \implies ty &= \ln|t| + C \\ \implies ty &= \ln t + C \quad (|t| = t \text{ for } t > 0) \\ \boxed{y} &= t^{-1} \ln t + Ct^{-1}.\end{aligned}$$

3. Solve the given initial-value problem

$$x dx + (x^2 y + 4y) dy = 0, \quad y(4) = 0$$

This ODE is not exact, but you can make it exact by first finding an integrating factor.

Solution: We note that $(M_y - N_x)/N = 2x/(4 + x^2)$, so an integrating factor is $e^{-2 \int x dx / (4 + x^2)} = 1/(4 + x^2)$.

Let $M = x/(4 + x^2)$ and $N = (x^2 y + 4y)/(4 + x^2) = y$, so that $M_y = 0 = N_x$. From $f_x = x/(4 + x^2)$ we obtain $f = \frac{1}{2} \ln(4 + x^2) + h(y)$, $h'(y) = y$, and $h(y) = \frac{1}{2} y^2$. A solution of the differential equation is

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln(4 + x^2) + \frac{1}{2} y^2 = c.$$

Multiplying both sides by 2 the last equation can be written as $e^{y^2}(x^2 + 4) = c_1$. Using the initial condition $y(4) = 0$ we see that $c_1 = 20$. A solution of the initial-value problem is $e^{y^2}(x^2 + 4) = 20$.